

18. (amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the vector comprises a *VanR*-responsive promoter operatively coupled to the *vanA* antisense molecule.

22. (amended) The method of claim 20, wherein the *vanH* promoter is contained on an enterococcus vector and enhancing expression comprises introducing into the organism an amount of the vector to express an amount of the *vanH* promoter sufficient to bind to phosphorylated *VanR* and thereby reduce vancomycin resistance in the organism.


27. (amended) A vector comprising an isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 24.

29. (amended) An isolated vancomycin resistant organism comprising a vector of claim 27.

REMARKS

Applicant has amended the claims to eliminate multiple dependent claims. No new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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